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Australia's unemployment rate increased to 6.0 per cent in June 2015

Australia's estimated seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for June 2015 was 6.0 per cent, an increase of 0.1 percentage points from a revised 5.9 per cent for May 2015. In trend terms, the unemployment rate was unchanged at 6.0 per cent, as announced by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) today.

The seasonally adjusted labour force participation rate increased less than 0.1 percentage points to 64.8 per cent in June 2015.

The ABS reported the number of people employed increased by 7,300 to 11,768,600 in June 2015 (seasonally adjusted). The increase in employment was driven by increases in full-time employment for both females (up 17,500) and males (up 7,000). The increase in full-time employment was partially offset by decreases in part-time employment for both females (down 10,600) and males (down 6,600).

The ABS seasonally adjusted aggregate monthly hours worked series increased in June 2015, up 5.1 million hours (0.3%) to 1,636.9 million hours.

The seasonally adjusted number of people unemployed increased by 12,800 to 756,100 in June 2015. This was driven by unemployed people who looked for full-time work, which increased by 27,200 to 541,200.

More details are in the June 2015 issue of *Labour Force, Australia* (cat. no. 6202.0), as well as the upcoming June 2015 issue of *Labour Force, Australia, Detailed* (cat. no. 6291.0.55.001) due for release on July 16. These publications are available for free download (after release) from the ABS website - <https://www.abs.gov.au>.

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